FINANCE COMMITTEE July 30, 2009

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair, Dan Priske at 4:30 PM on Thursday, July 30, 2009, in the Green Lake County Board Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present:

Dan Priske Deb Schubert Alma Hedberg Susan McConnell

Eugene Schroeder

Also Present:

Marge Bostelmann, County Clerk

Orrin Helmer, Board Chair Kathy Morris, Treasurer

John Selsing, Corporation Counsel Sheriff Mark Podoll and Lori Evans Linda Van Ness, Director HHS

Maureen Schweder

Al Shute

Jason Kauffeld

Bob Podgorski and Becky Pence

Also Present: Matt Kirkman, Missy Sorenson, Carol DeCramer, Kathy Doro and Pam Schumacher

AGENDA

Motion/second(Schubert/McConnell) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (McConnell/Schroeder) to approve the minutes of June 25, 2009 as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – 3 Minute limit

CORRESPONDENCE None

APPEARANCE: None

TREASURER'S REPORT

Morris sent her report to the Committee. She stated that it appears the roll is consistent with last year's collection. The state is projecting a lower sales tax return for next year. Morris stated that \$1 million CD came due at Bank Mutual. Bank Mutual offered .55% so she moved it to Farmers at 1.87%.

Motion/second(Schroeder/Schubert) to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried

DEPARTMENT HEAD - Bob Podgorski

Podgorski stated that keeping the levy at a 0 increase this year will be very hard on updating/repairing the roads. He also stated that the stimulus money will help to do roads that would not be done if not for the stimulus money. The state will be cutting revenues to the County next year. The numbers have not been finalized. Schubert asked if Podgorski has thought of reducing staff. Podgorski stated that he is very lean with the employees and if anyone is ill he has to double up employees on the snow routes.

BUDGET REVIEW

The Committee reviewed the 2009 revenue and expenditure report. Discussion was held. The percent spent look pretty good.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

None

POTENTIAL LAYOFFS IN ZONING DEPARTMENT

Shute stated that the Personnel Committee has acted to lay off employees in the Planning & Zoning Office and he was hoping that the Finance Committee could fund the shortfall. Discussion was held. The Committee members thanked Shute for explaining the shortfall and coming forward before the budget is in a negative. No action to fund the short fall was taken.

2010 BUDGETS

Cost saving measures - Reduction in expense - Layoffs, reduction in hours:

Schroeder discussed layoffs, furloughs, reduction in work hours. Schroeder also presented information that was given to the Personnel committee on mandated services. Van Ness stated that she believe her department will be about \$130,000 short. Kauffeld explained how the state furlough is structured.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES None

SUPERVISORS CLAIMS

The Committee reviewed the supervisor's claims in the amount of \$1251.47 and lay person's claims for \$165.50.

VOUCHERS

Vouchers were presented for Finance in the amount of \$23,160.30 and for IT in the amount of \$9,653.07. *Motion/second(Schubert/Hedberg)* to approve the supervisor's claims and Lay person's claims and the vouchers for Finance and IT as presented. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

Bostelmann stated that she and Orrin Helmer met with the Administrative Coordinators and County Board Chairs from Marquette and Waushara Counties to see how services may be consolidated. Helmer stated that Marquette, Waushara and Adams County have an agreement on consolidation of equipment usage. Green Lake County has been invited to become a part of this agreement.

LONG RANGE PLAN DISCUSSION

Bostelmann presented the Justice/HHS Center bills for June. Only one person has an RFP for the downtown site. The person is afraid of losing his project idea to someone else if he makes a public

proposal. Helmer is concerned with the departments that are remaining here; is the building going to be sold under the proposal.

GRANTING WRITING DISCUSSION

Bostelmann presented a report from Brook Kwaterski. Kauffeld stated that over the last two months no grants have been written. Kwaterski is still waiting for funding to be available. Marjory is recovering from a surgery. Discussion was held.

STRATEGIC PLAN

The economic development corporation has completed their strategic plan and the County also fall under the East Central Regional Planning Commission strategic plan.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future meeting dates: Thursday August 27, 2009 at 4:30 PM.

Future Agenda items: cost savings items and grant writing discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Schubert/Hedberg) to adjourn at 5:55 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Marge Bostelmann

County Clerk